

The White Ribbon

For God, and Home, and Humanity.

Thought for the Month.

"Grow old along with me;
The best is yet to be."

—Robert Browning.

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"NEW YEAR"

When this issue reaches our readers, 1947 will be well on its way. Not too far, however, for our good wishes to come along with it. To one and all, we send greetings, and hope that they may find "all the best" in happy, healthful life and service, during the year ahead.

Of nothing is it easier to write endless platitudes, than of New Year. Ever since, as children, we puzzled our little brains to know what this thing that people said to each other as they shook hands, smiling with extra kindness, could really mean; we have heard the same ideas expressed. 'A new beginning; a time for making good resolutions; a good place for re-planning work and activity; such are the thoughts we habitually hear, and feel within ourselves, at this time. Are they not very old and stale? Should we have not gone a stage further than this? Surely, it is not necessary for us to keep on making this "fresh start". All this was done when we were children; and we are further on our way by now.

All very well, to talk in this strain. Notwithstanding, the eye of experience sees across the years behind, something of beauty and joy in those New Year aspirations. Always a hope for something finer and better in the future lit up the passing of the old into the new. How sure we were that we were going to make something good of the opportunities which to come. And though, in this backward glancing, we see how far short of the dream the reality always was; we cannot but feel that it was all to the good that the dream was there.

And here at the beginning of 1947, there is an almost unbearable delight in having all the promise, all the veiled suggestion of unknown possibilities, once again as our possession. Past disappointment, failure, sadness and suffering, are powerless to quell the strange deep sense of unexplored regions of the spirit of experiences beyond all we have yet known; of vision clearer through past pain; and of something which "passeth understanding". We all have it. Thank God for it. It is a gift of his own hand, to lead and inspire even in the days of darkness. No mere dream or fancy, but a possibility, is at the heart of this strong upsurging of hope for coming days. In its warmth and sweetness, our love and faith are strengthened even now as we stand—

"at the portal
Of the opening year."

NOTICE TO UNION SECRETARIES

Please be sure that your delegate is supplied with her credentials to present on arrival at Convention.

See that proper notice is sent to Mrs. Williams, "Armley," Queen Street, Devonport, Auckland, if hospitality is required for her.

Furnish her with your Union's requisition of Convention "White Ribbons."

Ascertain the amount she may promise for Headquarters Fund, and, if possible, send it along with her.

If you hold any banners, please send them to Convention addressed to Mrs. Underhill.

Remember to send your delegates' names with Union name also, to Mrs. Underhill as early as possible, so that the Roll may be prepared.

Picture of W. Australian Women's Parliament Officers



—By courtesy of Dawn, organ of "Women's Service Guilds," West Australia.

Departmental Work

WORK AMONG SEAMEN TIMARU SAILORS' REST

Report and Balance Sheet for the Year 1945-46

Report and Balance Sheet presented by the W.C.T.U., Timaru, as Trustees of the S.C. Sailors' Rest:

RECEIPTS

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Credit Balance:						
General Fund	221	11	10			
Special Fund	300	0	0			
				521	11	10
Donations:						
General	84	6	2			
Unions	11	2	6			
				95	8	8
Interest P.O.	5	4	11			
Interest Deb.	12	0	0			
Collection	2	12	3			
Sale Cakes	0	7	0			
				20	4	2
				£637	4	8

EXPENDITURE

	£	s.	d.
Stamps	1	5	0
Armstrong & Springhall A/c	0	18	11
Expenses—Mrs. Woodward	3	4	7
Radio	1	5	0
Telephone	7	10	0
S.S. Stamps	3	0	3
Thomson's A/c	5	4	6
Electrician's A/c	5	15	0
Lewis's A/c	2	13	10
Mr. Mayo's A/c	0	8	6
Herald	0	18	0
Insurances	3	16	1
Wilson's A/c	135	0	0
Moyes' A/c	2	5	0
Miss Anderson	1	0	0
Morton's A/c	0	15	0
Shackell's A/c	8	15	0
Smith & Smith A/s	2	8	0
Cartage	0	7	0
	186	9	8
Credit Balance	450	15	0
	£637	4	8

Audited and found correct.

A. C. MARTIN,

Public Accountant,
Auditor.

REPORT

With pleasure and satisfaction the Timaru Branch of the Women's Christian Temperance Union present the report and balance sheet of the Sailors' Rest for the year ended November 30th, 1946. In doing so we are very grateful to all who have in any way supported us in this very important branch of activities.

Increased shipping has meant a very marked extra number of seamen visiting the Rest, and we are much gratified that so many of our own men on the coastal boats are taking advantage of the home-like comforts we offer. Mr. and Mrs. Woodward continue to give sympathetic

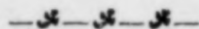
attention to all visitors, and letters expressing gratitude and appreciation are constantly coming to hand.

We are exceedingly pleased to report that the large verandah has now been glassed in, and to mark the 21st anniversary of the present building and to show many interested friends the amenities of the Rest, a most successful afternoon was held in May. Representatives from the various women's organisations were present, and also Messrs. J. P. F. Newman, F. J. Rolleston and G. T. Dawson, who were members of the original building committee. Our many visitors showed their appreciation not only by words of praise, but also by their generous donations. We thank Miss Fyfe for her untiring efforts in making this so successful an occasion.

We particularly wish to thank the Timaru Spinning Guild for their generous donation to furnish the sun porch, the Hampstead Red Cross and all the women's societies who have so kindly supplied us with gifts of food and comforts. We are grateful to Mr. A. C. Martin, our honorary accountant, the Timaru "Herald" for their interesting reports, those local firms that have yearly granted us donations, and the Unions that continue to follow our work for seamen with interest, and forward gifts of comforts and money.

The following is a list of donors:—Timaru Harbour Board, Timaru Borough Council, Timaru Spinning Guild, Timaru Milling Co., Timaru Gas Co., Timaru Navy League, Waimate Navy League, Hampstead and Morven Red Cross Societies, Westport Coal Co., Linton Coal Co., Turnbull & Co., Bruce's Ltd., Ratray & Co., Evans & Co. Ltd., Rosewill Women's Institute, Woodbury Women's Institute, Women's Division of Federated Farmers, Mesdames Trott, Norrie Senr., B. Tripp, Hancock, Hutton, Harvey, Ben Evans, McAlister, J. L. Murray, Fraser, Marshall, Cameron, Wilkinson, McDonald, Brosnahan, Misses G. Anderson, A. Pearson, E. Pearson, G. Stubbs, D. Austin, Dr. Burns, Messrs. C. G. Baker, G. T. Dawson, J. P. Newman, S. Goodman, and Ashburton, Oamaru, Temuka, Waimate, Dunedin, Central, Christchurch, Rangiora, Woolston, Nelson, Opatiki, Karori, Carterton, Riccarton and Timaru Unions.

We also extend thanks to all who have so kindly sent magazines, books and papers.



MEMBERSHIP RETURNS

Blenheim—August	1
September	2 transfers
Spreydon—October	2
December	2
Sydenham—October	1
Richmond—October	1

DOMINION TREASURER'S REPORT

September 1 - December 31, 1946

N.Z. FUND:

Bluff, Taumarunui, Springland, Carterton, Pukehuia, Ponsonby, Kohi-St. Heliers, Eden, Mount Roskill, each 10/-; Spreydon, Timaru, Richmond, Mt. Roskill, Cambridge, Palmerston North, Motueka, Thames, Lyttelton-Heathcote, each £1; Wanganui Central, £2; Northcote, 4/6; Papanui, 2/6; Oxford, £2; New Brighton, £1/1/-; Feilding, 11/6; Nelson, £5; Gore, £1/10/-; Riccarton, £1/1/-; Sefton (two years), 10/-; Lawrence, 10/6; Devonport, 4/-; Rangimareua "Y" Branch, 5/-; Opatiki, £1/4/-; Wanganui East, £2; Balclutha, 5/-; Christchurch, £10; North Brighton, 5/-; Wairoa, 16/1; Epsom-Green Lane, £1/10/-; Dargaville, 4/9; New Plymouth, £5; Whangarei, 17/-; Lower Hutt, 8/1.

N.Z. HEADQUARTERS FUND:

Te Awamutu, £6; Wanganui Central, £2; Gore, £2; Nelson, £2; Tauranga, £2; Spreydon, Timaru, Opatiki, Otahuhu, Oxford, Linwood, Whangarei, Wanganui East, Cambridge, Pukehuia, Feilding, Levin and Onehunga, £1 each; Auckland, £5; Blenheim, £5; Christchurch, £5; Waimate, 14/-; Epsom-Green Lane, £1/10/-; Motueka, £1/2/-; North Beach, 6/6; Ponsonby, 9/-; Riccarton, £1/1/-; Waiuku, 17/4; Sefton, 5/-; Nelson District Birthday League, £1/8/6; Waianiwa, 5/-; Papanui, Feilding Band of Hope, Taumarunui, Springlands, Carterton, 10/- each.

ORGANISING AND EDUCATIONAL FUND:

Mt. Eden, 46/6; Te Awamutu, 51/-; Raetihi (two years), £3; Spreydon, £3; Otahuhu, £3/3/-; Pukekohe, 12/-; Wanganui Central, 60/-; Auckland, 99/-; Waianiwa, 16/6; Papanui, 37/6; Oxford, 39/-; Levin, 20/-; Hamilton, 10/-; Onehunga, 40/-; Ashburton, £1; Blenheim, 70/6; Birkenhead, 37/6; Mrs. H. Walker, 21/-; Timaru, 187/6; Hastings, 82/6; Taumarunui, 10/-; Spreydon, 3/-; Picton, 30/-; Ngaere, 7/6; Pahiatua, 27/-; Dannevirke, 22/6; Mataura, 7/6; Riccarton, 103/6; Sefton (two years), 15/-; Shirley-Richmond, 30/-; Bryndwr, 24/-; Lawrence, 30/-; Tauranga, 55/6; Leigh, 9/-; Devonport, 5/-; Mornington, 30/-; Karori, 15/-; Inglewood, 19/6; Upper Hutt, 30/-; Sumner, 5/6; Port Chalmers, 31/6; Titirangi, 27/-; Waiuku, 22/6; Christchurch, 90/-; Springlands, 21/-; Palmerston North, 136/6; Kaiapoi, 20/-; Carterton, 55/6; Wanganui East "Y's", 2/-; Henderson, 18/-; Eltham, 33/-; Aramoho, 21/-; Wanganui East, 84/-; Temuka, 52/6; Hamilton, 30/-; Cambridge, 37/6; Pukehuia, 20/-; North Brighton, 30/-; Wairoa, 27/-; Ponsonby, 36/-; Mt. Albert, 20/-; Napier, 117/-; Kohi-St. Heliers, 20/-; Motueka, 22/-; Waihi, 12/-; Dunedin Central, £12/10/-; New Brighton, 58/6; Feilding, 67/6; Lyttelton-Heathcote, 25/6; Napier "Y's", 5/6; Epsom-Green Lane, 52/6; Invercargill Central, 172/6; Cromwell, 10/-; Eden, 42/-; Kaikora, 43/6; Dargaville, 33/-; Feilding, 1/6;

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Sixtieth Annual Dominion Convention

Dates—Wednesday, March 5th to Tuesday, March 11th, 1947.

Place—Presbyterian Social Hall, Edinburgh Street (off Karangahape Road), Auckland.

PROPOSED AGENDA

(Subject to necessary alterations)

Wednesday, March 5th:

- 10.00 a.m.—Executive Meeting.
 12.30 p.m.—Close.
 2.00 p.m.—Opening Service conducted by Dominion President.
 Pledge.
 Welcome to delegates by President of entertaining Union.
 Appointments. Mistress of Courtesies, Marshals, Letter-writer, Reporters.
 Corresponding Secretary's Report.
 3.00 p.m.—Afternoon tea.
 Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet.
 Call for Donations to N.Z. Fund.
 4.00 p.m.—Address, "The Findings of the Royal Commission"; Mrs. Hiett, Dominion Vice-President.
 Close.
 8.00 p.m.—Public Welcome Social. Bicentenary Hall, Pitt Street Methodist Church.

Thursday, March 6th:

- 9.30 a.m.—Communion Service, Beresford Street Congregational Church.
 10.15 a.m.—Convention called to order.
 Minutes.
 Roll Call.
 Correspondence.
 Greetings.
 Reports: "White Ribbon" Editor and "White Ribbon" Business Manager.
 Appointment of Editor and Business Manager.
 Grants in connection with "White Ribbon."
 Questions on "White Ribbon" reporting; subject matter and general. Call for Convention numbers.
 "Methods"; Talk by Mrs. Kasper.
 12 Noon.—Noontide.
 12.10 p.m.—Legal and Parliamentary.
 12.30 p.m.—Close.
 2.00 p.m.—Devotions. Service of Remembrance, conducted by President.
 2.30 p.m.—Minutes. Correspondence.
 Greetings.
 Reports: Cradle Roll, Bands of Hope, Literature and Library; Mrs. Ross.
 3.00 p.m.—Afternoon tea.
 3.30 p.m.—President's Address. Close.

Friday, March 7th:

- 9.00 a.m.—Devotions; Mrs. Hiett.
 9.30 a.m.—Minutes. Roll Call. Correspondence. Greetings.

Reports: Peace. Educational Bureau. Notice of Motion re Postal Voting for Election of Officers.

- 9.50 a.m.—Presentation of Banners and W.R. Cup.
 Discussion re continuing with Banners.
 10.30 a.m.—Reports: Scientific Temperance Examinations. Discussion. Anti-Gambling. Good Citizenship.
 11.15 a.m.—Films; Miss Lovell-Smith.
 11.30 a.m.—Questions. General Discussion on our work.
 12 Noon.—Noontide.
 12.10 p.m.—Suggestions invited for improvement in conduct of Convention.
 12.30 p.m.—Close.
 2.00 p.m.—Devotions.
 2.15 p.m.—Minutes. Correspondence. Greetings. Resolutions. Recommendations from Executive.
 3.00 p.m.—Afternoon tea.
 3.30 p.m.—Address: "Responsibility of the Liquor Trade for Road Accidents, Disease, and Crime"; Miss Edmed.
 Reports: Organisers. Discussion. Close.

Saturday, March 8th:

- 9.00 a.m.—Devotions led by "Y" Members. Minutes. Roll Call. Correspondence. Greetings.
 Reports: Home Meetings. Backblocks. Bulletin. Press. L.T.L. Moral and Social Hygiene.
 12 Noon.—Noontide. Close.

Sunday Evening, March 9th:

- 7.00 p.m.—Church Parade, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Lower Symonds Street.

Monday, March 10th:

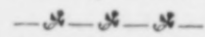
- 9.0 a.m.—Devotions led by Mrs. Christian.
 9.30 a.m.—Minutes. Roll Call. Correspondence. Greetings.
 Reports: Work among Seamen. Maori Work.
 10.40 a.m.—Election of Officers.
 Election of Superintendents.
 12 Noon.—Noontide. Close.
 2.00 p.m.—Hymn 89. Prayer for all Nations.
 2.15 p.m.—Minutes. Roll Call. Correspondence. Greetings. Resolutions. Discussion.
 3.00 p.m.—Afternoon tea.
 3.30 p.m.—Impromptu Speech Competition. Plans of Work. Visiting. Letters. Literature. Close.

Tuesday, March 11th:

- 9.00 a.m.—Devotions. Favourite Hymns. Miss Lovell-Smith.
 9.30 a.m.—Minutes. Roll Call. Correspondence. Greetings.
 Reports: Headquarters. Appointment of Committee. Notice of Motion by North East Valley re Sale of Headquarters.

General. Questions and Discussion.

- 10.30 a.m.—Reports: "Y" Conference. Y.P.C.T.U. Discussion on position of "Y" work.
 12 Noon.—Noontide. Question Box.
 12.30 p.m.—Close.
 2.00 p.m.—Devotions. Minutes. Correspondence. Greetings.
 Address: "The Dangerous Position of No-License Areas"; Rev. H. G. Gilbert.
 Unfinished Business. Votes of Thanks.
 Closing Service.



*ORDER OF SERVICE

OPENING OF CONVENTION

Convocation.

Battle Hymn:

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
 He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
 He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword;
 His Truth is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
 He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment seat;
 Oh, be swift my soul to answer Him; be jubilant, my feet;
 Our God is marching on.

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
 With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me;
 As He died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
 While God is marching on.

He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave;
 He is wisdom to the mighty, He is succour to the grave;
 So the world shall be His footstool, and the soul of time His slave;
 Our God is marching on.

Responsive Reading—God's View of License:

Leader: Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh forth from the Lord.

Response: Gather the people together, men, and women, and children, and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear and observe to do all the words of the law.

L.: Be not among wine-bibbers; among riotous eaters of the flesh; for the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty.

R.: Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink; which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him.

L.: And be not drunk with wine wherein is excess, but be filled with the Spirit.

R.: Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these—envyings, murders, Drunkenness, revellings, and such like; of the which I tell you be-

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NEW ZEALAND WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION

(Incorporated)

Organised 1885

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WELLINGTON, FEBRUARY 1, 1947.

LETTERS FROM BRITAIN

To express gratitude for parcels received, two letters from Britain were read at the November meeting of the Palmerston North Union. One was from Miss D. Staunton, (19c, Medway Street, Westminster, London, S.W.1.) Editor of the "White Ribbon," who said they would be meeting in a fortnight's time when the various packages would be given out. What a joyful surprise it would be to the members. Many of them were living alone in small flats or single rooms, and even greater than the pleasure of gifts would be the joy of their N.Z. comradeship expressed in so practical a way. Miss Staunton said she would willingly send on parcels to other parts of London if they were addressed to her. She had received one from Gisborne Union, which was going to East London children.

The second letter was from Mrs. Macfarlane, (Greystones, 16, Bruce Road, Glasgow, S.1.). It read:—

"I cannot express my gratitude to members of the W.C.T.U. in Palmerston North, for the lovely parcel. What a thrill I got on opening it and seeing the contents! What a lump in my throat, and my eyes were not too dry. I have distributed its contents and what joy it has given. The honey I put into small jars, and quite a number had some. The youngest recipient was a little boy of five, who had a cold, and you should have seen him when he got some on his bread, and was allowed to scrape the dish. It would have done you good. All the happy and grateful people send you their loving thanks and best wishes.

"I am the vice-president of the Glas-

President's Message

Dear Friends—

My very loving and hearty good wishes to you all. May 1947 be for all of us a year of much encouragement and many opportunities for service. It will, and of necessity must, be a year of steady, unflinching battle with all that threatens to dim, or to hold back, the well-being of our wonderful country.

1946 brought us both happiness and disappointment, but not enough of the latter to give us cause to feel "beaten" in our fight against "this king of evil," generally known as the "liquor trade." The results of the 1946 Liquor Poll cannot be regarded as other than a challenge to renew our efforts, to begin at once on our educational work.

Let us go to meet opportunities of service, not wait until they have almost passed and we have to run in an endeavour to catch their disappearing skirts. Remember the old saying, "One volunteer is worthy twenty pressed men."

We look toward our 1947 gathering in Auckland, in March, with high hope and expectation of the good that will arise from our suggestions and discussions. The chief thought of each delegate, and of the Union sending her, will be "What can I bring to Convention?"

The greatest gifts we can bring, are, I think, Faith (see Luke 18:1), Hope, Charity, or love (see 1 Cor. 13:13). So shall we have an understanding and sympathy with each other which cannot fail to help us through the work of the year.

May our Father so help us to strive to achieve that state of Divine goodness which shall make each one of us fit to carry out His purpose for us.

May I suggest that we carry these words in our hearts throughout this year:—"Be of good courage and He shall strengthen your heart."

Yours sincerely,

C. E. KIRK,

Dominion President.

gow District Union, and superintendent of the Young People's Branches of our great Association. I have three hundred girls on the roll, and all pledged abstainers. Do you have a Young People's Branch in New Zealand? Could one of the Leaders get in touch with me and exchange ideas?"

NOTES RE WORLD'S W.C.T.U. CONVENTION

The Seventeenth Convention of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held June 5th to 10th, 1947, in Convention Hall, Asbury Park, New Jersey, U.S.A. The Sixteenth Convention was held in Washington, D.C., in 1937, but on account of war conditions no convention could be held since. It is marvellous the way the W.C.T.U. has carried on in the midst of the tragedies of war and during these years correspondence has been maintained with thirty-one countries.

The National W.C.T.U. of the United States will be the hostess for the convention, with Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin as chairman.

Notwithstanding the difficulties in securing transportation at the present time, we have already heard from many countries that they will be represented by delegates. A large delegation from Canada is already planning to be present. England, Scotland, Ulster, Sweden, Egypt, Palestine, Iraq, India, Malaya, China, Australia and New Zealand have already notified us that delegates have been appointed.

Many other lands are also sending delegates.

The convention will open with an Evangelistic Meeting on the afternoon of June 5th, and in the evening a Get-Acquainted Meeting will give all an opportunity to meet the delegates from many lands. The convention will close on Tuesday night. Executive Committee Meetings will be held on June 4th and 11th. Details of the programme will be announced later.

While the W.C.T.U. Convention is a delegated body, visitors are welcome and all sessions are open to the public.

With memories of the great convention in Washington, we look forward to a record attendance.

ELLA A. BOOLE,
President.

DOMINION OFFICERS

Nominations Received

Nominations have been received for Dominion Officers for 1947 as follows:—

President: Miss C. E. Kirk, J.P.

Vice-President: Mrs. J. Hiatt.

Recording Secretary: Mrs. V. Underhill.

Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. H. N. Toomer.

Treasurer: Miss M. B. Lovell-Smith.

Assistant Treasurer: Miss J. Atkinson.
R. M. UNDERHILL.

MORE DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

WANGANUI

Wanganui District Convention was held in Ingestre Street Baptist School-room, on October 15th, 1946.

"Suggestions are being made for the betterment of the Liquor Trade in the Dominion. We are concerned about the thing itself," said the Rev. T. A. Speer, of Fordell, speaker at the afternoon session. He urged members to fight for prohibition. Comparing human lives with a convoy of ships, each dependent for safety on the co-operation of others. Mr. Speer said that it was necessary to bring back into ordinary life a true sense of values. "If Christian people made up their minds that we could have prohibition, we would get it," he concluded.

Following the noontide devotions, a Service of Memories was conducted by Mrs. Clancey, when the undermentioned, who had gone to their rest, were remembered:—Mrs. Loundy, Mrs. Hallam, also her husband and son, Mrs. Grinstead, Mrs. Collier, Mrs. Griggs, Mrs. Horsley's son, Mrs. Britton's husband, Mrs. Ashmore's husband, and Miss Mary Jones, who was a lifelong member.

The afternoon session was opened by the Rev. A. O. Jones taking the Devotional service. During the morning, the Rev. N. R. Wood led the Devotions.

The Salvation Army in Invercargill was commended for its stand in not accepting a donation offered by the Licensing Trust. Mention was also made of Princes Te Puea's action in standing out against liquor being introduced into the King Country.

Miss Christie, District Treasurer, read the financial statement, which showed a favourable position. Reports of Unions were read by the delegates from Wanganui Central, Wanganui East, Aramoho, Gonville and Raetihi.

Mrs. E. J. Cheswass presided. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mrs. Cheswass; Secretary, Mrs. Ogg; Treasurer, Miss Christie; Superintendents were appointed as under:—L.T.L., Mrs. Ogier; C.R., Mrs. Ogier; Bible in Schools, Mrs. R. Wilson; Maori, Mrs. Angus Wright; Hospitals, Mrs. Duxfield.

SOUTH AUCKLAND

South Auckland District held their Convention this year at Te Awamutu, on September 19th, in the Presbyterian Hall. The Unions represented were Hamilton, Cambridge, Fencourt, Tauranga, and Te Awamutu. Mrs. Christian, District Acting-President, presided, and Miss Kirk, Dominion President, conducted the opening Devotions.

All stood in remembrance of Mrs. Martin, for many years President of the Cambridge Union and a most faithful Temperance worker throughout a long life, who had passed away during the year at the age of eighty-two.

Greetings were sent to Mrs. Peryman and Mrs. Weston, President, who had

left the District since her appointment as President at the last Convention.

Mrs. Lewis, District Secretary, read the district report, and a condensed report from Union reports sent in. In moving the adoption of this, the President spoke of "What membership in the W.C.T.U. means to us," emphasising the advantages and privileges which are enjoyed by those who take membership seriously and make the most of the opportunities it brings.

A delightful luncheon was provided by the members of the hostess Union, who also provided morning and afternoon tea with lavish hospitality.

In the afternoon Devotions were taken by Te Awamutu members. Mrs. Stephenson Craig, Vice-President, presided over the special period which was in the form of a public meeting and was addressed by Miss Kirk, Dominion President. It was emphasised that this was the first time that a Dominion President had attended the District Convention. Miss Kirk's address was full of information and inspiration. The findings of the Royal Licensing Commission were criticised and after the address were the subject of special remits.

Beautiful solos and elocutionary items were contributed by Mesdames Wade and Hull. A report of the meetings of the N.C.W., Hamilton Branch, was given by the delegate, Mrs. Lewis. The financial report presented by Mrs. Clark showed a very satisfactory position.

After a vote of thanks to all helpers, and especially the hostess Union for beautiful floral sprays, and most generous preparation, the Convention was closed in the traditional manner.

Miss Kirk presided over the election of officers. Mrs. Christian was elected President; Mrs. Craig and Mrs. Gatman, Vice-Presidents; Mrs. Lewis, Secretary; Mrs. Clark, Treasurer.

HAWKE'S BAY

The Annual Convention of the Hawke's Bay District was held at Waipawa on November 6th. Delegates attended from all branches of the Union and were welcomed by Mrs. Ford, President of the Waipawa Union. A short address was given by the Rev. Mr. Henderson.

A number of Remits to be forwarded to New Zealand Convention in 1947 included protests at the children attending picture programmes which are advertised as suitable only for adults; the sale of liquor to minors; the waste of food materials in the manufacture of intoxicating liquors during a world shortage of such materials; the curtailment of trains when special trains are used for race meetings; the increased gambling and sale of raffle tickets.

The election of officers for 1947 resulted:—President, Mrs. Lewis, Napier; Secretary, Miss C. L. Ennor, Napier; Treasurer, Mrs. A. M. Smith, Hastings.

Next year's Convention arranged to be at Hastings.

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Mt. Roskill, 9/-; Dunedin South, 34/6; Styx, 21/-; Gore, 100/6; Takapuna, 19/6; Grey Lynn, 7/7; Grey Lynn "Y's," 8/-; Fencourt, 30/-; Invercargill North, 73/6; Bluff, 12/-; Levin, 24/6; Linwood, 52/6; Richmond, 18/-; Reefton, 15/-; North East Valley, 93/-; Johnsonville, 31/6; Maungaturoto, 18/-; Whangarei, 36/-; Stratford, 19/6; Lower Hutt, 40/6; Woodville, 16/6.

MAORI FUND:

Taumarunui, £1; Pukekohe, 5/-; Riccarton, 10/-; Wanganui Central, 15/-; Waianiwa, 5/-; Papanui, 2/6; Oxford, 10/-; Reefton, 10/-; Mosgiel, 5/-; Waimate, 23/-; Dunedin Central, £1; Oamaru, 9/-; Ashburton, £1; Nelson, £1/1/-; Feilding, 8/9; Pahiatua, 8/-; Levin, 18/-; Hamilton, 10/-; Blenheim, 12/-; Gore, £1; Timaru, 10/-; Hastings, 27/8; Taumarunui, 10/-; Mt. Eden, 10/-; Hawera, 5/-; Sefton (two years), 10/-; Rangiora, 18/6; Masterton, 15/-; Tauranga, 15/-; Mornington, 0/-; Port Chalmers, 10/-; Rangimare "Y's," 5/-; Springlands, 5/-; Palmerston North, 10/-; New Brighton, 5/-; Pukehuia, 5/-; Christchurch, £2; North Beach, 5/-; Kohi-St. Heliers, 2/6; Motueka, 5/-; Thames, 10/-; Lyttelton-Heathcote, £1; Epsom-Green Lane, 5/-; Invercargill Central, 5/-; Cromwell, 1/6; Dargaville, 7/6; Dunedin South, 5/-; Linwood, 7/6; North East Valley, £1; New Plymouth, £1; Whangarei, 12/-; Lower Hutt, 10/-.

FRANCHISE DAY COLLECTION:

Mount Eden, 13/7; Riccarton, 10/-; Pahiatua, 5/6; Reefton, 10/-; Warkworth, 10/6; Waianiwa, 5/-; Shirley-Richmond, 7/6; Mosgiel, 5/-; Ashburton, 14/-; Oamaru, 10/-; Kaikorai, 5/-; Hawera, 10/-; Mornington, 5/-; Palmerston North, 10/-; Wanganui East, 8/6; Balclutha, 5/-; Pukehuia, 2/6; Christchurch, £1; North Beach, 5/-; Kohi-St. Heliers, 5/-; Invercargill Central, 5/-; Cromwell, 2/-; Dunedin South, 5/-; New Plymouth 7/6.

WORLD'S MISSIONARY FUND:

Wanganui Central, 10/-; Waianiwa, 5/-; Papanui, 2/6; Dunedin Central, 10/4; Oamaru, 7/-; Timaru, 5/-; Hastings, 12/3; Taumarunui, 5/-; Rangiora, 14/-; Devonport, 4/-; Mornington, 5/-; Titirangi, 5/-; Palmerston North, 10/-; Kaiapoi, 10/-; New Brighton, 5/-; Pukehuia, 10/-; North Beach, 5/-; Kohi-St. Heliers, 2/6; Epsom-Green Lane, 5/-; Invercargill Central, 5/-; Cromwell, 2/-; Dargaville, 7/10; Dunedin South, 5/-; Levin, 8/10; Invercargill North, 6/6; Linwood, 7/6; New Plymouth, 10/6; Whangarei, 13/-; Lower Hutt, 9/1.

WORK AMONG SEAMEN:

Te Awamutu, £3; Opotiki, £1.

PUBLICITY FUND:

Christchurch, £10; Mount Roskill, £1.

ESSAY AND POSTER COMPETITIONS PRIZE FUND:

Miss C. E. Kirk, donation for special prize, £1.

M. B. LOVELL-SMITH.

13th January, 1947.

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fore, as I have told you in time past, that they which do these things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

L.: But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance, against such there is no law.

R.: But they who have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way;—they err in vision; they stumble in judgment.

L.: Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing.

R.: It is good neither to eat flesh nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or it has made weak.

L.: Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright.

R.: At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.

L.: My son, if sinners entice thee consent thou not.

R.: For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

L.: Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood, and establisheth a city by iniquity.

R.: Woe unto them that decree unrighteous decrees—to take away the right from the poor of the people, that widows may be their prey, and that they may rob the fatherless.

L.: Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that putteth the bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also.

R.: Woe unto the world because of offences—woe to that man by whom the offence cometh.

L.: For among my people are found wicked men; they lay wait as he that setteth snares; they set a trap; they catch men.

R.: Shall I not visit for these things? saith the Lord. Shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?

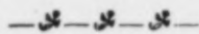
L.: Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter; fear God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

R.: The Lord our God be with us as He was with our fathers; let Him not leave us nor forsake us; that He may incline our hearts unto Him to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments.

Prayer.

Address: Mrs. Hiatt.

The Lord's Prayer.



DOMINION CONVENTION, 1947

REMITTS NORTHLAND

1.—That a strong protest be made against continued rationing of sugar to housewives while so much is being wasted in New Zealand in the manufacture of alcoholic drinks.

2.—That investigation be made with respect to the distribution of sultanas and raisins to wine-makers when householders were forced to go short.

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3.—That the plea of being under liquor influence at the time the offence was committed should be no excuse for discharging the accused, or for imposing a light penalty.

4.—That letters of congratulation be sent to the Salvation Army of Invercargill, and the Southland Presbytery for the stand they took in refusing to accept money from the Liquor Trust.

5.—Convention considers that as paper is now more plentiful, bread should be wrapped before it leaves the bakery.

6.—Convention views with alarm the quantity of liquor being sent to the troops in Japan.

7.—This Convention considers that for the better working of the "Backblocks" Department, it be known as the Back Blocks and "Scattered members" League, so that Unions may be able to follow up and hold members who live at a distance.

WANGANUI

8.—That in order to bring the W.C.T.U. up to date, all departments except those directly bearing on the Liquor question should be dropped.

HAWKE'S BAY

9.—That the Government be requested to give to the picture theatre managers authority to refuse admission to children to see the screening of pictures which the censor recommends for Adults only.

10.—That a curfew be imposed to keep children unattended by adults off the streets at night, and that when children are found guilty of serious crime the parents be punished.

11.—That in view of the seriousness of drinking among very young people, the law regarding the serving of liquor to minors be rigidly enforced.

12.—That protest be made to the Minister of Railways in regard to the curtailment of the passenger train service when extra trains are being run for race meetings.

13.—That in view of the growing menace of Gambling in New Zealand, and the social evils resulting therefrom, the Government be urged to impose the maximum restriction on facilities for organised gambling.

14.—That literature for circulation among the Maori population be printed in English as well as in Maori, to ensure that the person distributing same can discuss the contents if occasion arises.

15.—That the pictures in the Y.P. Supplement for colouring be more of a Temperance nature, as mental impressions taken in per medium of the eye sense generally become deeply implanted. It is suggested that some of the illustrations from the Scientific Temperance textbooks such as the well-grown plant and the stunted alcohol-fed plant; the alert kitten and its drugged companion; may be used as models. It is also urged that if these supplements are to be circulated amongst Sunday School children and others who perhaps have very little contact with Temperance teaching, they should always contain stories and pithy bits of a temperance nature, the available small space in the supplement thus being made to fulfil its purpose as vitally as possible.

NELSON

16.—That in conformity with all other business houses, saloons and hotel bars should be closed on Saturdays.

17.—That a special department be set up in the public hospitals where shock treatment may be administered to patients who are suffering from mental disorder, but who are not necessarily subjects for treatment in mental hospitals.

NORTH CANTERBURY

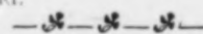
18.—That a sub-committee be appointed to draw up a comprehensive statement as to the objections raised by the W.C.T.U. to specific proposals set forth in the report of the Royal Commission on Licensing.

OTAGO

19.—That as we believe alcohol to be the cause of much poverty, disease and crime, an educational campaign should be directed, through the schools, the press, radio and other agencies, against the evil of indulging in alcoholic liquor.

20.—That as drinking, sipping cocktails, and the consequent false gaiety of many films are doing harm to children and young people, more rigid censorship of films is requested.

21.—That Convention urges upon the Government that a full and impartial enquiry be made into the Penal System of New Zealand.

**IN MEMORIAM**

Mrs. J. Sanders, N.E. Valley Union

The recent passing to Higher Service of Mrs. Sanders has robbed the Women's Christian Temperance Union of the Dominion and the North East Valley Union in particular of the services of a keen worker in the cause of Temperance. Ever since the early days of its inception, Mrs. Sanders had been an inspiration to the Union. Her high Christian character enabled her to deal sympathetically with all those who sought her advice, and made her a friend of everybody.

For many years she has attended to the financial side of our Union and has also been Letterwriter to the sick and the bereaved. She has also held the offices of District Treasurer and Vice-President. At the recent District Convention she was made a Life Vice-President, but she held that office for a very short time when God called her Home.

We shall miss her in every way. She was a great lover of flowers and at every meeting, whatever the season might be, the President's table was adorned with a lovely vase of flowers placed there by Mrs. Sanders. Only failing health prevented her attendance at meetings, but up to the very last she was planning for the future and refused to be discouraged by the seeming lack of interest in Temperance affairs.

She lived in close touch with her Heavenly Father,

"Her life was a prayer, and it prayed
With such passionate power that it
Stayed

In the heart of the Hearer of prayer,
Who cherished and answered it there

In the fullness of love."

SPECIAL REPORTS

HENDERSON UNION

A very interesting event was held recently at the Henderson Public School, when the annual presentation of prizes for the best Temperance Essays were awarded.

For the past twenty years arrangements have been made with the Headmaster of the school who instructs the children from Standards 4, 5 and 6 on Temperance, literature being provided by the Secretary of the W.C.T.U.

The essays are written during school time and judged by a reliable person appointed by the Union. Two special prizes and seven other prizes are awarded each year. The Auckland Union sends a donation to help to provide these prizes.

A very cordial welcome was extended by the Headmaster to the President, Mrs. Chadwick, the Secretary, Mrs. Leman, Mrs. J. W. Long, and other members.

Mrs. Long expressed the thanks of the District and Local Officers for the co-operation and assistance given by the Headmaster in the Temperance education of so many children year after year in the Henderson district, especially in view of the cultivation of grapes and manufacture of wine in the Henderson district.

Mrs. Chadwick spoke to the children, congratulating them on this year's effort. The fifty-four essays were well written and many of them deserved special commendation. The story of Mr. Preston, who introduced the word "teetotal," was told and captured the attention of every child. Mrs. Long spoke on Good Citizenship, and gave the children some high ideals to live up to, especially as total abstainers.

The prizes were presented by Mrs. Long, and the afternoon was brought to a close at the school. Afternoon tea was served at the Church Hall by members of the Union. Prize Essays will appear in the January-February "Beacon."

MARLBOROUGH WOMEN'S DAY OF PRAYER

The final meeting for the Women's Day of Prayer was held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Friday, November 29th. Sessions commenced at 10 a.m. and the following ladies were leaders:—Mesdames Dunbar and Ford in the morning, and V. Powell and P. Stephens in the afternoon. Fair attendance. Helpful messages were given, and prayers offered by leaders and members of the congregation. Next year's meetings are to recommence with the World Women's Day of Prayer.

STALL AT A. & P. SHOW Malborough District

As a Publicity Effort in connection with Poll work a Stall was held at the show, which was one of the best for years. The effort was arranged by the District Executive and was in charge of Mrs. Underhill, Mrs. Forbes and Miss Tarrant. Contributions were received from members throughout the

District and Home produce and cakes did not stay long on the counter. Arum Lilies, Iceland Poppies and other flowers served as decoration and also provided funds as they were sold. Several Posters from Headquarters hung inside "the shop" and were read by hundreds of people. In each parcel copies of the W.R. and Beacon together with our campaign leaflets were enclosed. These were also given out to young people. The booklets "Keeping Fit" and "Non-Alcoholic Drinks" were sold young boys buying the "Keeping Fit" books after looking through them. Several people showed their interest and sympathy by leaving the change on certain purchases, others gave words of encouragement. One lady kindly told us that she noticed that the Temperance people went to sleep in between the Polls and woke up just before!! We found that she was right up against the liquor traffic but had never joined the Union, although she told us what we ought to do!!! While we did not set out to make money, owing to the kindness of several gentlemen, our expenses were light and we had several pounds in hand, besides spending a very interesting day, and we hope, profitable to our cause.

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ANNUAL MEETING,

CHRISTCHURCH

The fifty-ninth annual meeting of the Christchurch Union was of unusual interest. Miss C. Henderson presided and welcomed a visitor, Mrs. Kippenberger, who brought greetings from the Waimate Union, and Mrs. Hawke, a member just returned from a trip to England.

Mrs. Hawke brought greetings from the National British Women's Temperance Association and from the Peckham Union.

Christmas greetings were sent to Mesdames Judkins, Patchett and Whetter, and a gift to Mrs. E. Wood, in appreciation of her willing service to the Union for so many years.

Posies were presented to the President, Miss Henderson, and the Misses Gordon and Thomas.

The annual report reviewed the many activities of the Union during the year, especially mentioning that many thousands of leaflets had been distributed before the election.

The financial statement read by the Treasurer was considered very satisfactory.

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year:—President, Miss Henderson, J.P.; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames James, Gardner-Miller, Lennon, F. C. Prices, Misses Gordon, Blackwell and Bishop; Hon. Secretary, Miss M. M. Thomas; Hon. Treasurer, Miss M. B. Lovell-Smith; Hon. Assistant Treasurer, Miss E. Gordon.

FLORAL AFTERNOON, NELSON

Nelson's final meeting for the year took the form of a Floral Afternoon, which was held in the Baptist School-room,

The President, Mrs. Toomer, welcomed a good attendance of members and friends, some of whom are not able to attend the regular meetings. Basing her talk on the command, "Hold Fast," Mrs. Toomer said this required time, courage, and endurance.

Mrs. K. Wood and Miss Tucker entertained with a piano duet, and Mrs. Sherrat sang two very pleasing solos.

There was a beautiful display of flowers, the competition results being:—Shoulder Spray—1—Mrs. F. Cooke, 2—Miss Dyson; Posy—1—Mrs. Kidson Senr., 2—Mrs. Neal and Miss Russell (equal); Vase of Flowers—1—Mrs. C. Knapp, 2—Miss Russell.

Mrs. Walker thanked Mrs. Toomer in the name of the Union for her splendid service as President, and presented her with flowers.

Afternoon tea was served and at the close of the meeting flowers were taken to sick members and to the hospital.

A collection was taken in aid of the Maori Hostel and the meeting closed with the Benediction.

NINETEENTH BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Linwood Union.

The Linwood W.C.T.U. held a Garden Party in honour of their nineteenth birthday at "Kavington," the home of the President, Mrs. C. R. N. Mackie.

Miss C. E. Kirk, Guest Speaker, journeyed from Wellington to be present on this auspicious occasion. Prior to the address, Miss Averil Teague presented Miss Kirk with a shoulder spray of pink roses, a loving thought from the Linwood Band of Hope members. Miss Kirk presented the hostess with a beautiful spray of dark red roses and bronze pansies, which was greatly appreciated.

The special address was very educational, and was enjoyed by all present. It was pleasing to know that on the following day, Mrs. Mackie's telephone was unusually busy, many kind folk who had listened to the address, and had taken time to think about it, ringing to congratulate Miss Kirk.

Miss Snell, our musical director, arranged a very fine programme, for which we thank her again.

During the afternoon, the Musical Trio (Strings), gave several bright items. A most amusing play was presented by Mrs. Pashley and Dorothy Cooper, elocutionary items being given by Mesdames Middleton and Collins, both of whom were encored. Avia Hill gave a character solo and recitation very beautifully (a Woolston Band of Hope member), and Averil Teague also gave a character solo, "Little old Lady," which was much enjoyed. Averil is a Linwood Band of Hope member.

Mrs. Douglas' two solos gave much pleasure. A buffet tea was an easy way of handling the refreshments.

The beautiful cake, the gift of the president, was cut by our Dominion President, who brought greetings to the Union. Mrs. Rodgeron, of the Blenheim Union also cut the cake with greetings from our Blenheim sisters,

Greetings were brought by the District President, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Ramsey, Woolston, Mrs. Edmonds, New Brighton, Mrs. Brown, Central Union, Mrs. Long, Opawa, Mrs. Francis, Methodist Guild, Mrs. Kidd, Anglican Guild, Mrs. Fuller, Baptist Guild, Mrs. Black, Presbyterian Guild, and others. The photographers had a busy time taking snaps of our guests.

A very successful party was concluded with thanks to all helpers. The "Bring and Buy" brought in good funds for the Union.

A very special meeting was held the following day when Mrs. H. H. Johnson joined our ranks being initiated by the Dominion President.



VARIOUS CELEBRATIONS

SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY— WAIMATE UNION

A Social Evening was held in the "Savoy," Waimate, on November 11th, to celebrate the Sixtieth Anniversary of the formation of the N.Z. Alliance. Mrs. Duckett, President, read the policy adopted by the Alliance at its inauguration, when William Fox was elected President, and which has not been altered since. It ran thus: "That it is neither right nor politic for the State to afford legal protection and sanction to any traffic or system that tends to increase crime, to waste national resources, to corrupt social habits, and to destroy the life and health of the people."

There was a large attendance over which Mr. George Dash presided. The speakers were Major Ingerson, the Rev. O. Burnet, Mr. Geo. Russell of Nelson, Mr. J. L. Hayman and the Chairman. An excellent musical programme was presented.

Notable among apologies for absence were those of the Rev. R. J. Griffith and Mr. G. L. Stewart.

Votes of thanks to the W.C.T.U., the performers and the Chairman, to whom musical honours were accorded, preceded an excellent supper.

BREWERS PLAN CAMPAIGN FOR FAMILY MARKET

"The family market"—is to become "the mainstay of beer consumption"—"or, at least, to absorb permanently the largest part of beer produced by the American breweries"—"The sooner these plans are developed, and now seems to be the logical moment," the better insight upon future production and sales. "The home must find as much attention devoted to it in advertising promotion and distribution—in the future as the restaurant has in the past."

"The above, in brief, is the immediate programme of the beer barons of America, detailed in the American Brewer of July, 1946. The brewers are out to 'get' the American family—at least 38,000,000 of them—and make it their most profitable quarry."—Southern California "White Ribbon."

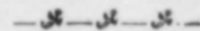
"HIGHLIGHTS" FROM TALKS AND ADDRESSES

The Rev. M. A. McDowell, speaking at Timaru's October meeting, said that the word "intoxicating" comes from a Greek word, "toxis," which means "poison." He showed that there is poison in a greater or lesser degree in all intoxicating liquor. Liquor in any form had dangerous possibilities, and he urged the necessity for all Christians to use their influence towards the abolishing of this evil, asking: "Are Christians and Churches too smug and complacent to do anything?" The need to be up and doing is greater now than ever it was. There is great danger of the habit of intemperance being covered by the cloak of respectability."

Miss C. Bennett, of Khandallah, speaking at the Blenheim Union's October meeting, gave very interesting details regarding "Frederic Wallis House," at Lower Hutt. This house was founded by Mrs. Wallis, widow of Bishop Wallis, in his memory. Retreats and Conferences of all Protestant Churches are held there. Mrs. Wallis has now presented it to the Church of the Province of New Zealand and it is the only one of its kind in New Zealand. During 1945 meetings were held there by 46 different other organisations. During the time of the Japanese threat of invasion, the Governor-General, Sir Cyril Newall, called a meeting to be held there on account of its spiritual atmosphere.

At the November meeting of the Palmerston North Union, Miss M. Sutherland, in a devotional address on the delivery of Peter from prison, spoke of his being conducted through the

"iron gate" by the angel. In the Temperance cause there were many "iron gates," such as vested interests and the power of money. Faith and prayer could help us through these. "God without us, will not; we, without God, can not."



TEMPERANCE FACTS

Given at Kohi-St. Heliers, October 20th: by Mrs. Kasper: "It is impossible to reconcile the interests of the liquor traffic with the interests of a nation."

Given at Remuera, October 21st: "In accidents much harm is done by administering alcohol. When bleeding is present, to give alcohol quickens the heart-beat, and increases the loss of blood."

One male out of every seventeen in the U.S.A. is an alcoholic, or a chronic excessive drinker, according to a survey made by the Council of State Governments. The survey shows that there are 750,000 alcoholics in the country in addition to the 2,250,000 excessive drinkers.

Given at Palmerston North: "Baxter's cough mixture contains 15% proof spirit, which is 7½% alcohol and 7½% water."

Given at Auckland meeting: "Alcohol never increases the vital energy of the body; on the contrary, this energy is decreased through the action of alcohol on the cells."

Given at Ashburton: "Alcohol injures the white cells of the blood which are our chief guardians against disease. It is because of its drugging action upon these cells that drinkers' wounds usually take longer to heal than abstainers."

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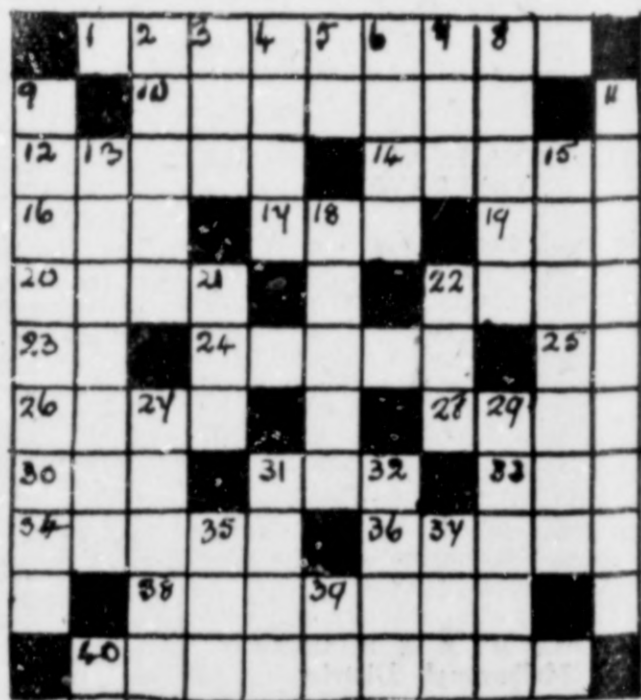
Across

- 1—Collecting and arranging.
- 10—A prominence.
- 12—Doomed.
- 14—A slant between surfaces.
- 16—Word of gentle reproach.
- 17—Before.
- 19—Girl's name.
- 20—Old-fashioned hostellers.
- 22—Reared.
- 23—State in U.S.A. (abb.).
- 24—Peculiarity of language.
- 25—A negative (French).
- 26—Personal statement regarding speed.
- 28—Passover month.
- 30—Poet's version of 8 down beheaded.
- 31—Very singular.
- 33—International organisation.
- 34—Cosy homes.
- 36—Stoop.
- 38—Found in 26 across.
- 40—With identity unrevealed.

Down

- 2—Frequently.
- 3—Shelter.
- 4—Load.
- 5—Present.
- 6—Circular passageway.
- 7—Wrath.
- 8—The initial letter makes an eternal difference.
- 9—Capable.

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- 11—Scapula.
- 13—English Film Studio.
- 15—Close of day.
- 18—Period of supremacy.
- 21—Wrong-doing.
- 22—Famous Association.
- 27—Serious crime.

- 29—Erected.
- 31—European Capital.
- 32—Blissful abode.
- 35—Neuralgic trouble.
- 37—Priest of Israel.
- 39—Well-known cricketer of last century (initials).

Bulletin of Union News

AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Executive Meeting: Christmas Party. The annual Christmas Party of the Auckland District Executive was held in Pitt Street Methodist Church Parlour on December 2nd, when Mrs. F. W. Mountjoy, District President, was in the chair and welcomed large number of guests, every Union being represented. An excellent programme of musical and elocutionary items was presented by several ladies, one of the girls from the Maori Hostel contributing an item.

During the afternoon Mrs. Mountjoy gave a short address and Mrs. J. W. Long voiced the thanks of the meeting to the artists who had helped to make the afternoon so enjoyable. The following resolution was passed by the meeting: "That this meeting of the Auckland District Executive of the W.C.T.U. strongly protests against the granting of public school grounds for sports on Sundays by the Education Board."

Ponsonby, Nov. 27: Annual meeting, Mrs. Joiner, President, in the chair. Eleven members present. Devotions, Sister Jessie. Temperance Fact, Miss Runciman. Literature for distribution given out. Annual report given by Secretary, who was complimented on its compilation by President and members. Very interesting report given by Sister Jessie on the Maori work being done in connection with hostels, this being felt to be of great importance to all Unions and members. Departmental reports given by Superintendents, who were thanked for the year's work. Resolution re the protest against the use of School grounds for Sunday sport sent to Executive. Sister Jessie presided over the election of officers, all being re-elected, with one alteration, that the secretary act as treasurer in the absence of Mrs. Christopher. All were thanked for their work, the Secretary voicing the thanks of all to Mrs. Joiner, President, who wished all the compliments of the season. Pledge repeated and Benediction.

Kohi-St. Heliers, Nov. 21: Meeting at the home of Mrs. Lewis Eady. Devotions, Mrs. Farr, Evangelical Superintendent, who, with Mrs. Kasper, President, spoke of the need for prayer, especially in planning work for the coming year. Temperance Fact. Annual report given by Secretary, Mrs. Biddle. Elected officers for ensuing year were: President (acting), Mrs. Kasper; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Machin and Mrs. Eady; Secretary, Mrs. Biddle; Treasurer, Mrs. Phillips. Superintendents also appointed. Vote of thanks passed to Mrs. Eady. A new member from Hamilton Union welcomed.

Epsom-Green Lane, Nov. 21: Fifteen members present, Mrs. Eccersall presiding. Last meeting for the year—an informal happy time of fellowship. Mrs. Eccersall gave an inspiring talk on "Women of the Bible." Meeting closed with hymn, "God Be With You," and Prayer.

Titirangi, Nov. 19: Meeting held at "Dun-donald," home of Mrs. McFarlane. Miss C. M. McLay presided. Thirteen members present. Temperance Fact read. Sympathy with Mrs. Whitburn expressed, a past Secretary, in the death of her husband. Union represented at funeral and flowers sent. Annual meeting. Officers elected: President, Miss C. M. McLay; Secretary, Mrs. Parrish; Treasurer, Miss Broady. Tea and Benediction.

Remuera, Nov. 25: Annual meeting. Mrs. H. Kasper presided. Good attendance. Two new members initiated. Mrs. Kasper led Devotions. Election of officers resulted thus:—Acting President, Mrs. Kasper; Secretary, Miss Tozer; Treasurer, Mrs. Laird; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. G. Robinson. All superintendents reported on their work, and were re-elected. Thanks to all officers and superintendents were expressed for their work.

Warkworth, Dec. 12: Closing meeting for the year. Very fair attendance. Mrs. Baker appointed delegate for Dominion Convention. Solos given by Mesdames Rowe and Nelson; recitation by Mrs. Moore. Miss Taylor, missionary from India, gave an address telling of the changes Christ brings to Hindu women. Happy year of inspiration and service brought to a close with afternoon tea.

Onehunga, Nov. 14: Annual meeting. Devotions, routine business, and arrangements made for workers and catering for booths on election day. Temperance Fact. Reports

from superintendents and officers read and appreciated. Gratification on hearing that a newly-formed "Youth Travel Club" for young men and women announces that liquor will not be allowed. All officers re-elected.

SOUTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT

Hamilton: Annual report presented by Mrs. Burt. Superintendents all reported. Congratulations to two Hamilton scholars who had secured good marks in the Temperance Exams, and books to be presented. All officers re-elected, and most of the superintendents, one notable exception being Mrs. Davey, who had been Treasurer for twenty-five years, whose place was filled by Mrs. Pickles. Special tribute paid to Mrs. Davey. Devotions conducted by Miss May, a Japanese internnee from Shanghai, who after reading Psalm 34, related one of her outstanding experiences of deliverance. Xmas greetings and flowers to be sent to sick members. President thanked all workers. Benediction.

Tauranga, Dec. 3: Closing Social, Mrs. Christian presiding. Miss Kirk, Dominion President, led Devotions, making reference to Poll result, and encouraging the downcast. Reports on Band of Hope closing meeting, N.C.W. also, and an address by Miss Kirk. Musical items and competitions and a "Bring and Buy" stall for the "Caravan Fund."

TARANAKI DISTRICT

Hawera: Annual meeting. Mrs. R. Thayer presiding. Financial statement and annual reports presented. Election of officers resulted:—President, Mrs. R. Thayer; Vice-Presidents, Major Woolford, Mesdames Gould and Page; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Barron; Superintendents also elected. "Bring and Buy" for local funds.

New Plymouth: Annual meeting, well attended, Mrs. Brown in the chair. Devotions and Temperance Fact. Annual report and Seamen's Rest reports read. Officers elected were:—President, Mrs. E. Stewart; Secretary, Mrs. Oliver; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Wood; Treasurer, Mrs. Norwood. Thanks to tea hostesses and artistes. Benediction.

Eltham report a good annual meeting, with good year's work reported. Six new members secured at Cradle Roll party and much interest shown in this department.

WANGANUI DISTRICT

Wanganui East: Annual meeting showed good work done for the year. Miss Day re-elected President; Miss Jarvis, Treasurer; Mrs. Robb, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. C. James, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Ogier, R. and L.T.L. Superintendent.

Wanganui Central: Nine present, Mrs. Duxfield presiding. Devotions, Mrs. Goodey. Sympathy and sorrow expressed concerning the death of Mrs. Heatley, for many years a leading member. Agreed that with decreasing attendances, all lines not strictly Temperance be cut out, a falling-off in departmental work being revealed in reports, resulting from illness. Good financial statement. Officers elected were:—President, Mrs. Duxfield; Secretary, Mrs. Ogg; Treasurer, Mrs. Goodey; Superintendents also appointed.

MANAWATU DISTRICT

Palmerston North: Annual meeting, December. Annual reports presented. Previous officers re-elected. Mrs. Carter, who is going to make her home in Auckland, was presented with a suitcase and a bouquet; Mrs. Coles, President, expressing her deep appreciation of her devoted service over a number of years. A special "Bring and Buy," arranged to raise the Union's quota of £12/10/- towards the Alliance advertising fund, resulted with donations, in the raising of the required amount.

Feilding: Annual meeting, December 4th. Mrs. Spence presided. Devotions led by Mrs. Kendall. Officers' and Superintendents' reports showed progress. The Gold Medal had been won by a Band of Hope member in the Temperance examinations, Miss Ruth Eade. Mrs. Spence, after sixteen years of inspiring and faithful service as President, declined nomination, her place being taken in this office by Mrs. Tremain. Mrs. Taylor spoke on Mrs. Spence's splendid work during those years, and Mrs. Spence thanked all those who had worked with her for their co-operation. Mrs. Spence closed with prayer.

HAWKE'S BAY DISTRICT

Hastings, Nov. 28: Annual meeting. Reports received with keen interest, a fine record of work being presented. Mrs. H. Hickmott, President for many years, declined re-nomina-

tion on account of ill-health, but accepted the position of Vice-President. The officers elected were:—President, Mrs. H. M. Smith; Secretary, Mrs. A. J. Pitt; Treasurer, Mrs. H. Grainger. Superintendents also appointed.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT

Wellington Central, Nov. 24: Annual meeting. Mrs. Webb presided in the absence through illness of the President, Mrs. Sired. Devotions led by Mrs. Israel. Special prayers for sick members, and for our Poll and other work. Treasurer's report. Two parcels to be sent to England. Each member undertook to write to, or visit a sick member. Sympathetic reference made to the passing of Mrs. Huffam, for many years a supporter of our cause. Birthday greetings and posies presented. Report of Masterton Convention given. Delegate to Convention, Mrs. Reed. All officers re-elected. Superintendent's reports, and re-appointments to be dealt with at the February meeting. Mrs. Hoult warmly thanked for serving tea throughout the year. Benediction. Miss Keys gave two delightful piano solos.

Lower Hutt: Mrs. Spencer presided and Mrs. Swift led Devotions. Secretary's report showed good work done during the year. £5 donated to Hutt Temperance League, £1 to the Alliance, and 10/- to the Church Trustees. All officers re-elected. Benediction.

NELSON DISTRICT

Nelson, Nov. 12: Annual Meeting. Mrs. Toomer presided over fair attendance. All officers and superintendents re-elected. Reports showed a busy year and satisfactory balance sheet. Message of thanks sent to the Rev. Mr. Blampied for his work among children on Wednesday afternoons. Mrs. Ranking gave an interesting talk, showing how fear can affect health, but that God's healing power is ever at work. Temperance Fact. Benediction. December: See "Special reports."

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Riccarton: Special meeting, October 24th, held at the home of Mrs. Griffiths, President. Twenty present. President led Devotions. Two members reported having visited Otago Union and had attended a Church parade. Mrs. Toomer's letter read. Donation from Mrs. Chas. Bell, of Wellington, for C.R. funds received. Mesdames Gundy and Harris reported interestingly on the recent District Convention, and received the thanks of the meeting. Mrs. Griffiths thanked for the use of her home. Bundles of literature given out for distribution. A five-minute paper written by Mrs. Ancell on Gambling was read by Mrs. Gundy. Meeting closed with hymn and prayer.

Nov. 14: Annual meeting. Good attendance. Mrs. Harris led Devotions. Donations received for Leper and Union funds. Several letters of thanks and appreciation to be sent out. A short "Service of Memories" held in memory of White Ribbon Sisters who had passed away. Secretary's and Treasurer's reports read and adopted. Good work shown for the year. The final "pyramid" effort handed in a total of £19/18/3. Chocolate and donations for Mental Hospital Christmas cheer handed in. Mrs. Clarke, President off Bryndwr presided over the election of officers, all previous ones being returned. Thanks to the officers and to Mrs. Clarke were expressed by the President, who also thanked members for their attendance and co-operation during the year. Literature handed out for distribution. "God Be With You" sung, this being the last meeting for the year.

Linwood: Annual meeting held recently. All officers re-elected. Annual reports showed satisfactory work for the year. Good balance after paying all dues.

North Brighton, Nov. 19: Annual meeting presided over by Mrs. Noonan. Five Band of Hope members had gained certificates in the Temperance Exams. Annual report showed good work done, the Secretary being complimented on its comprehensive nature. Superintendents' reports also very good. Band of Hope had held twelve meetings and had 21 new pledged members. Mrs. Noonan appointed delegate for Convention. Mrs. Clarke, District President, took the chair for the election of officers. All previous ones re-elected. Greetings from District Executive brought by Mrs. Clarke.

New Brighton, Dec. 5: Mrs. Flower presided. Devotions taken by Salvation Army Lieut. Pledge re-affirmed. Temperance Fact given. Good annual reports given by Secretary and Superintendents. Annual donations to be sent

to World's Missionary, Maori, "White Ribbon" Day funds, and to Women's Reformatory. Mrs. Clarke, District President, took the chair for the election of officers, the result being:—President, Mrs. E. Edmond; Secretary, Mrs. G. Ellis; Treasurer, Mrs. H. Inns. Mrs. Flower, retiring President, spoke of the pleasure she had had in our work during her five years of office.

Christchurch, Nov. 13: Miss C. Henderson presided. Members promised to help with Y.M.C.A. street collection. Mrs. Lennon reported on Shirley-Richmond's afternoon social, and Miss Gordon on the Linwood garden party. President read extracts from World Temperance News.

Nov. 27: Miss Henderson in the chair. Thanks received for donation to Christchurch Area Council. Further donation sent to the Alliance, also to our N.Z. Fund for Publicity. Invitation received for Fresh Air Home Christmas Party. Usual Donation sent. Our President read extracts from the "Vanguard."

Papanui: Annual meeting, November 30. Thirteen members and two visitors present. Devotions by Mrs. Malcolm. Roll Call, a text of Scripture. Pledge. Temperance Fact by Mrs. Hampton. Annual report showed a satisfactory year's service in several departments. Mrs. Griffiths presided for the election of officers, all of whom were re-elected. Superintendents also appointed. Thanks expressed to Mrs. Griffiths. Votes of thanks to the Press and to the Hon. Auditor, Miss L. Orchard.

Woolston, Nov. 21: Good attendance. Mrs. Ramsay presided. Devotions led by Mrs. Spier. Officers elected as follows:—President, Mrs. Ramsay; Secretary, Mrs. Tomlinson; Superintendents also appointed. Good reports of year's work given. Mrs. Ramsay thanked all members for the work of the year. Mrs. Black, District President, gave a very interesting address. Benediction.

Sydenham, Dec. 5: Annual meeting, Mrs. J. Filer presiding over an attendance of eleven members. Devotions led by Mrs. Davies. Pledge re-affirmed and Temperance Fact given. Mrs. Atkins, District Treasurer, presided over the election of officers which resulted as follows:—President, Mrs. J. Filer; Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Drewett; Treasurer, Mrs. C. D. Seivers; C.R., Mrs. Garlick; "W.R.," Mrs. Julius. Usual reports presented. Closed with "All Round the World" and prayer by Mrs. Cookson.

MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT

District Executive, Nov. 21: President in the chair and six members present. During the Devotional period, members offered prayers for success at the Licensing Poll. Reports presented of the Stall conducted at the A. & P. Show and accounts passed for payment. Letters of thanks directed to four men who very kindly erected and dismantled stall. The President reported on the arrangement made with Marlborough "Express" for printing an insert to be published and delivered with the paper, which has a circulation of 4,600. The action of the President in making this last effort in connection with Poll work was confirmed. Mrs. Underhill reported on the Officers' meeting and various matters were discussed. A motion of sympathy was passed with Mrs. McFadden in the sudden death of her husband. A new member welcomed.

Springlands, Nov. 19: Annual meeting held in Methodist Schoolroom, eight members and two visitors present and welcomed by Mrs. Underhill. Three apologies owing to ill-health. Greetings to be sent to these members. Reports were given by the Superintendents, all of which showed faithful and consistent work throughout the year. The Treasurer presented a very satisfactory balance sheet with credit balance. Helpful quotations were given in response to the Roll Call. Arrangements made to combine with Blenheim for the Xmas Social, in place of December meetings. President expressed appreciation of co-operation and fellowship enjoyed throughout the year and gave brief talk. Officers and Superintendents re-elected. On behalf of members, Mrs. Gascoigne thanked the President for her interest and activity in the Branch.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Temuka, Nov. 27: Annual meeting, Mrs. H. Grocott presiding over a good attendance. Members stood in silence in memory of the late Mrs. R. D. Gibb, who was a foundation member. Secretary's report was the subject of congratulation by several members. Thanks extended to Mr. and Mrs. Grocott for the

use of their home for the preparation of literature for posting to every house in Temuka. Treasurer's and Superintendents' reports read and adopted. Officers elected were as follows:—President, Mrs. Wm. Hewson; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames R. Flintoff, H. Grocott and J. H. Woolford; Secretary, Mrs. J. Holliday; Treasurer (re-elected), Mrs. W. Brewer; Superintendents also appointed. Tea hostesses, Mesdames Brewer and Woolford. Very helpful address given by Mrs. W. H. Davey. Temperance Doxology and prayer by Mrs. Flintoff.

Ashburton, Dec. 3: Annual meeting. Mrs. Browning presided and led Devotions. Condolence letters to be sent to Mrs. Church and Miss Jenninson in the loss of a sister. A new member was initiated. Annual and financial reports given, good work being recorded. The Secretary had written 110 letters. Superintendents' reports also received. Thanks to all workers. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Sister Mildred (Miss E. M. West); Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Adjutant Smith, Robinson, Browning and L. E. Lion; Recording Secretary, Mrs. G. Holmes; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Harwood; Treasurer, Mrs. Tulloch; Superintendents and pianists also appointed. Temperance Fact given. Enjoyable meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Browning, and the Doxology.

OTAGO DISTRICT

Dunedin South: Annual meeting. Good attendance, Mrs. Rippin presiding. Devotions led by Mrs. Williamson. President gave details of recent election distribution of literature. Mrs. Rippin proposed as a remit for Dominion Convention, "That all officers be allowed to attend meetings of District Execu-

tive." Carried. Mrs. Dow read reply to letter of sympathy sent to Mr. George Dash on the death of his wife. Officers elected as follows:—President, Mrs. Rippin; Vice-President, Mrs. Williamson; Treasurer, Mrs. Graham; Secretary, Mrs. Dow.

North East Valley: Annual meeting. Officers elected were:—President, Mrs. Green (Acting President during Mrs. Green's illness, Mrs. Peart); Secretary, Miss Gibbs; Treasurer, Mrs. Johnstone. Annual report showed a satisfactory amount of work done during the year. Two staunch members lost through death during the year, including Mrs. Sanders, who was for many years Treasurer, and Mrs. Gibson, a long-standing Vice-President. Among matters discussed, the increasing number of divorces was mentioned, and the following statement by Judge Sharboro was read: "Divorce is the nation's most alarming social question; and drinking is the most important factor. 75 per cent. of the divorces are due to this."

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT

South Invercargill: A "Pioneer Rally" held in the Temperance Hall, November 12, with Mrs. Holmes, President, in the chair. Devotions led by Mrs. Richards, Evangelical Superintendent. Agreed to vote for the return of all Dominion officers. Speaker was the Rev. Mr. Harford, his subject being "Pioneers and Their Christian Duty."

Winton, Nov. 19: Annual meeting. President reported on District Convention. Annual report read and adopted. Treasurer's report read and adoption to follow later. All officers re-elected. Duets rendered by Misses Joyce and Daphne McIntosh. Benediction and supper.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

KOHI-ST. HELIERS

On November 30th a combined party was held by the Kohi-St. Heliers W.C.T.U. Francelle Eady, the President of the Legion, presided, and welcomed all present. Mrs. Kasper, the Leader, also spoke briefly, extending a welcome to the mothers of the children. Items were rendered by Francelle Eady, who played a pianoforte solo; Marilyn Kasper and Alex Harkon, who sang a duet; Jeanette Row and David and Alex Harkon, who gave recitations. Margery Bell led the Devotions. One baby was enrolled. A large Christmas tree held a gift for every child.

Beautiful bouquets were presented to Mrs. Biddle, Secretary of the W.C.T.U.; Mrs. Mills, L.W.R. Superintendent; and Mrs. H. Kasper, Leader of the L.T.L.

The L.T.L. girls played games with the little ones, and the W.C.T.U. members served afternoon tea.

REMUERA

Another combined Cradle Roll and L.T.L. Christmas party was held by the Remuera W.C.T.U. on December 7th, and was most enjoyable. The L.T.L. children conducted a model meeting. Trevor Marshall, the President, presiding. He welcomed all present. There was a large number of children and parents present. Devotions were taken by Lois Fenton and Elaine Jensen. Pianoforte solos were played by Spencer Maxwell and Trevor Marshall; Jeanette Jensen and Marilyn Kasper sang solos, Lois Fenton recited, and three little tots sang a trio; Ray McCarthy and Spencer Maxwell also sang a duet.

The District President, Mrs. Mountjoy, was present, and enrolled three

babies; also giving an address to the mothers and children.

A Christmas tree, laden with gifts, was soon stripped, each child receiving a gift and a bag of sweets. Bouquets were presented to the officers of the Union, to Mrs. Mountjoy and Miss Bond, Cradle Roll Superintendent. Mrs. Kasper also received gifts and flowers from the children. A warm vote of thanks was passed to the ladies who provided afternoon tea.

BLenheim AND SPRINGLANDS

To close the activities of both branches for 1946, a combined social evening was held on 5th December in the Church of England Schoolroom, Blenheim, when there was a pleasing attendance, considering other functions being held. Opening with the hymn, "While Shepherds Watched," followed with all repeating "The Lord's Prayer," the District President, Mrs. V. Underhill, welcomed the visitors, and the evening was then spent in entertaining games, competitions and music. Winners of competitions were Mrs. J. S. White and Mr. H. Oldham. All joined in singing Christmas carols, and items were given by Misses Marge and Muriel Hale (duets), Miss Fear and Mrs. Underhill (songs). Mrs. Milgrew accompanied with violin and Mrs. Crow was at the piano. Miss Betty Vercoe danced the Sailors' Hornpipe and Mrs. Crow gave two amusing elocutionary numbers. Mrs. Forbes was in charge of a Sales Table which was well worth while, and Mrs. Girling was in charge of the supper arrangements. Mrs. Underhill gave the apologies and proposed a vote of thanks to all who had entertained. Supper was dispensed and a very enjoyable evening was brought to a conclusion.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE, 1st Monday, at 1.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. F. Mountjoy, 71 Quadrant Road, Onehunga, S.E.5; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Long, Maori Girls' Hostel, 9 Cleveland Road, Parnell, C.4; Cor. Sec., Miss A. McLay, c/o 115 Bassett Road, Remuera, S.E.3; Rec. Sec., Mrs. J. Joiner, 92 Lincoln Road, Ponsonby, W.1; Treas., Mrs. Prussing, 1 Campbell Road, Takapuna, N.2.

ARAMOHO, St. David's Church, 2.15 p.m., last Thursday. Pres., Mrs. E. Chesswas, 7 Feild St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. A. Greig; Corr. Sec., Mrs. A. Gilmour, 2 Paterson St.; Treas., Mrs. H. Good, 2A Paterson St.; W.R., Mrs. Suddaby, 20 Cumbræ Place.

ASHBURTON, 1st Tuesday, in Baring Sq. Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Adj. Smith, Cameron St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. M. Holmes, 78 Chalmers St.; Corr. Sec., Mrs. Harwood, 12 Aford Forest Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Tullock, 23 Peter St. W.; "W.R.," Mrs. Tinker, 152 Aitken St.; C.R., Mrs. Lion; Seamen, Miss C. Jackson and Mrs. Tilly.

AUCKLAND, 2nd Tuesday, at Y.W.C.A., Upper Queen St., at 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Long, Maori Girls' Hostel, 9 Cleveland Rd., Parnell. Sec., Miss Dewar, 4 Pompallier Tce., Ponsonby, W.1; Treas., Mrs. Swan, 18 Maungarei Rd., Remuera, S.E.2; W.R., Mrs. Holmes, 100 Arney Rd., Remuera, S.E.2.

BALCLUTHA, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Sec., Mrs. Allirey, Main Rd., North Balclutha.

BIRKENHEAD, 2nd Tuesday, Zion Hill Hall, 1.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. C. Utting; Sec., Mrs. Wanhill, Marama Terr.; Treas., Mrs. N. Wilson, Ocean View Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Simpson, Roseberry Ave.

BLenheim, 1st Tues., 2.30 p.m., in Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. N. Forbes, 9 Grady St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. P. A. Stephens, Howick Rd.; Treas., Miss E. M. Tarrant, Park Tce.; C.R., Miss I. Sheridan, South St.; W.R., Mrs. W. J. Girling, Stephenson St.

BLUFF, 1st Thursday, in Presbyterian and Methodist Churches alternately, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Roke, Elizabeth St.; Rec. Sec., Miss Mitchell, Ocean Beach; Corr. Sec., Mrs. Vickery, 36 Parrett St.; Treas., Mrs. Barber, 43 Foyle St.

BROOKLYN, 2.30 p.m. Last Tuesday. Pres., Mrs. Brewer; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jordan; Corr. Sec., Mrs. Sawden, 16 Todman St.; Treas., Mrs. Gittings; W.R., Mrs. Dudley; C.R., Mrs. Sawden.

BRYNDWR, Christchurch, 4th Wednesday, St. John's Church. Pres., Mrs. E. R. Clarke; Sec., Mrs. G. Robinson, 12 Warkworth Rd., Fendalton; Treas., Mrs. L. R. Pugh, 65 Hartley Av., Papanui; C.R., Mrs. E. Freeman; "Y" Supt., Mrs. E. R. Clarke.

CHRISTCHURCH, W.C.T.U. Rooms, cnr. Chancery Lane and Cathedral Square, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss C. Henderson, J.P., 15 Euston St., Sumner; Hon. Sec., Miss M. M. Thomas, 25 Cambridge Tce., C.I.; Treas., Miss M. B. Lovell-Smith, 305 Riccarton Rd., W.2; Assist. Treas., Miss Gordon, 123 Fendalton Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Neutze, 122 Aikman's Rd., Merivale.

CARTERTON, 1st Wednesday, in S.A. Barracks, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. F. Tyler; Sec., Mrs. Hunt, Park Road; Treas., Mrs. Peters; Cradle Roll, Miss Edwards; Devotions, Mrs. Every; W.R. Miss Bairstow.

CAMBRIDGE, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Kemsley, 23 Pryce St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Bycroft; Sec., Mrs. A. L. Lewis, 64 Clare St.; Treas., Mrs. W. Hooker, 60 Queen St.

DARGAVILLE, 2nd Tues., Methodist S.S. Room, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Jolly, Victoria St.; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. F. T. Moorhead, P.O. Box 2; W.R., Mrs. Jolly, Victoria St.

DANNEVIRKE, 2nd Tues., Methodist Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Calcott, 45 Swinburn St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Paviour-Smith and Collins; Sec., Mrs. J. S. Holm, 27 Swinburn St.; Treas., Mrs. V. Jones; W.R., Mrs. Paviour-Smith.

DUNEDIN CENTRAL, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Baptist Sunday School, Hanover Street. Pres., Mrs. Hiett, 11 Duke St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Maxwell, 17 Opoho Rd.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jackson, Cannington Rd.; Treas., Miss Macandrew, 11 Duke St.; Press and Parliament, Mrs. Downing; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Miller, 39 Oates St.; Vice-Pres., Sister Elinor, 18 Jones St., Mrs. Ballantyne, and Mrs. Garden.

DUNEDIN SOUTH, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Wesley Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Rippin; Sec., Miss McCarthy, 18 Albert St., St. Clair; Treas., Mrs. Graham, 32 Sidey St., Caversham; W.R., Mrs. Madigan, 155 Valley Rd., Caversham.

ELTHAM, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Cocker, Stanners St.; Sec., Mrs. Cox, George St.; Treas., Mrs. Holly, Conway Rd., "W.R.," Mrs. Streeter, London St.; C.R., Mrs. A. Towers, Mabey Rd.

EDEN, 3rd Wednesday, from March to November, Walter's Rd. Church of Christ. Pres., Mrs. V. A. Read, 355 Dominion Rd.; Sec., Mrs. G. G. Clark, 129 Balmoral Rd., S.2; Treas., Mrs. L. Powley, 3 Shorwell St., Mt. Albert, S.W.1.

FENCOURT, 1st Thursday, in Sunday School Hall, at 2.0 p.m. Pres., Miss P. Rickard, Box 18 Matangi. Rec. Sec., Miss O. Clark; Cor. Sec., Mrs. H. Tyer, Victoria Rd., R.D. Cambridge; Treas., Miss L. Clark; W.R., Miss G. Clark; C.R., Mrs. A. Wiseman.

FEILDING, 1st Wednesday, St. Paul's Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Tremain, Denbigh St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Spence, Stewart and Taylor; Sec., Mrs. Whisker, Kawa Kawa Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Kenavan, Grey St.; C.R., Mrs. Hesketh, Grey St.; W.R., Miss Watt, 17 Grey St.; Devotional, Mrs. Kendall; Press Reporter, Miss Masters; Pianiste, Mrs. Cummin.

GISBORNE, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Goffe; Sec., Mrs. Wallen, 493 Aberdeen Road; Treas., Mrs. Coles, 3 Mangapapa Road; C.R., Mrs. Stockman; W.R., Mrs. Mackintosh, 1 Salisbury Road.

GORE, 4th Tues., 2.30 p.m., St. Andrew's Hall. Pres., Mrs. E. C. Smith, Afton St.; Treas., Mrs. D. McAskill, Halton St.; Sec., Mrs. C. S. Rose, Onslow St.; C.R. Sec., Mrs. E. C. Smith, Afton St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. T. Stevenson, Canning St.

GONVILLE, meets 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. T. R. Clancy, 10 Koromiko Rd.; Sec., Miss Roots; Treas., Mrs. T. R. Clancy; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Parker, 35 Koromiko Rd.

HAMILTON, 1st Thursday, in St. Paul's Parlour, London St.; Pres., Mrs. Gatman, Firth St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Stephenson Craig; Sec., Mrs. Burt, 3 Hardley St.; Treas., Mrs. E. J. Davey, 53 London St.; W.R., Mrs. Bradley, Bell St.; C.R., Mrs. Tucker, Collingwood St.; Literature, Miss Parry; Press, Mrs. T. Hutt.

HENDERSON, 3rd Wednesday, Methodist Church, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Chadwick, Great North Road; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Leman, Trimona Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Johnston; C.R., Mrs. Hansen.

HAWERA, last Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., in Methodist Bible Class room. Pres., Mrs. R. Thayer, Little Regent St.; Sec., Mrs. Tozer, South Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Barron, 96 Collins St.; C.R., Mrs. Burton, Tawhiti Rd.; "W.R.," Mrs. Barker, Fantham St.; Tea, Mrs. Page.

HASTINGS, 4th Thursday, Methodist Y.W. Room. Pres., Mrs. H. Hickmott; Corr. Sec., Mrs. A. G. Pitt, 606 Victoria St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Hagerston; Treas., Mrs. H. Grainger, 612 Grey's Rd.; W.R., Mrs. N. Smith, 102 Townsend St.

HOKITIKA, 3rd Wednesday, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Hall. Pres., Miss Potts, Park St.; Sec., Miss L. Berendt, Weld St.; Treas., Miss L. Wilson, Brittan St.; W.R., Mrs. Stoop, Fitzherbert St.

INGLEWOOD, 4th Wednesday, 2.15 p.m., Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. Hansen, Rata St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Longbottom; Sec., Mrs. Arthur, Brown St.; Evang., Mrs. Ashworth.

INVERCARGILL CENTRAL, 1st Wednesday, Jed. St. S.S. Hall, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Cameron, 33 McMaster St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Ruthven, Wesley and Brown; Sec., Miss McEwan; Treas., Mrs. J. H. Boyd, 143 McMaster St.; C.R., Mrs. Millard; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Pennington; Evangelistic, Mrs. Wesley; Notable Days, Mrs. Ayson.

INVERCARGILL NORTH, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Sunday School. Pres. and W.R., Mrs. F. W. Jelcoate, 289 Elles Road North; Sec., Miss H. S. Jamieson, 57 Layard Street; Treas., Mrs. N. Henderson.

INVERCARGILL SOUTH, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in W.C.T.U. Hall, Grace St. Pres., Mrs. E. Holmes, 204 Kelvin Rd.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Cole, Richards and Lea; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Reidy, 53 Teviot St.; Treas., Miss Griffiths, 235 Crinan St.; W.R., Miss L. Aitken; C.R., Mrs. Crozier; Maori Supt., Mrs. J. Richards; Evang., Mesdames Richards and Beekham; Notable Days, Miss J. McCallum; Musical, Mrs. Lea.

JOHNSONVILLE, 2nd Tuesday, at 2 p.m., at Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. McBride; Sec., Miss Mitchell, 134 Nicholson Road; Khandallah, N.5; Treas., Mrs. H. Johnson, Petherick Crescent; "W.R.," Mrs. McEae; C.R., Mrs. Gandy, Junr.; Y.P., Mrs. Deans.

KAIAPOI, last Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m., W.C.T.U. Hall. Pres., Mrs. A. Stocking, Car Road; Sec., Miss Hamel, Fuller Street; Treas., Miss S. E. Evans, Fuller Street; W.R., Mrs. Phillips, Sewell Street.

KARORI, 1st Tuesday, Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Wood, 316 Main Rd.; Sec., Mrs. Johnson, 2 Shirley St.; Treas., Mrs. Watchman, 78 Campbell St. W.R., Mrs. Horne; C.R., Mrs. Coombe.

LEVIN, 2nd Friday, 2.30 p.m., in Salvation Army Hall. Pres., Mrs. Kennerley; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Andricksen, Oxford St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. N. Plaster; Treas., Mrs. Burnham, Oxford St. Nth.; C.R., Mrs. V. Hudson; W.R., Mrs. Storey.

LINWOOD, meets last Tuesday, in Baptist Hall. Pres., Mrs. C. R. N. Mackie, 199 Rolleston St.; Sec., Mrs. R. Black, 42 Cranley St.; Treas., Mrs. Beck, 583 Worcester St.; W.R., Mrs. A. Fuller, 20 Buckleys Rd.

LOWER HUTT, 4th Wednesday, 2 p.m., Wesley Infant Schoolroom, Laings Road. Pres., Mrs. Spencer, "Chingford," Belmont; Sec., Mrs. Crawford, 48 Waterloo Road; Treas., Mrs. Cooper, 27 Maire Street; C.R., Mrs. Buck, 67 Hautana Street; Devotional, Mrs. Swift; Birthday League, Mrs. Aldersley; W.R., Mrs. Heyes, Melling Road, and Mrs. Teasdill, Kauri Street.

MT. ALBERT, 2nd Thursday, Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Antstie; Sec. and C.R., Mrs. Glaister, 9 Summit Drive; Treas., Miss McGregor, 11 Eldon Road, Mt. Eden, S.2; W.R., Miss Shepherd, 111 Mt. Albert Road.

MT. EDEN, 1st Tuesday, 2 p.m., Methodist B.C. Room. Pres., Miss A. M. McLay, 115 Bassett Road, Remuera, S.7.2. Sec., Mrs. Dunham; W.R., Mrs. Pickering; C.R., Miss McKinney.

MASTERTON, McLennan Hall, Knox Church, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss V. Jackson, 65 Cole St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. H. Speight; Corr. Sec., Mrs. Kitchener, Workop Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Trevorrow, Makora Rd.; W.R., Miss S. Tankersley.

MAUNGATUROTO, 2nd Wednesday. Pres., Mrs. H. Flower; Sec. and Treas., Miss Edna Cullen, Bryaderwyn; C.R., Miss J. Flower; W.R., Mrs. H. Flower; Birthday League, Mrs. Knightbridge; Temp. Fact, Mrs. Brock.

MORNINGTON, Presbyterian Hall, Glen Av., 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Pellug; Sec., Mrs. Wrightson, 10 Roseberry St., Belleknowes; Treas., Miss Ford, 29 Burke St.; W.R., Mrs. Elder, 21 Preston Cres.

MOSGIEL, Presbyterian Hall, 2.30 p.m., 3rd Thursday, Feb., May, Aug., and Nov.; Pres., Mrs. Capt. Rix, Lanark St.

NAPIER, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. P. Lewis; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Donnelly and Manyard; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Atherfold, 10 Spencer Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs. R. G. Martin, 56 Battery Road; Treas., Miss Ennor, 62 St. George's Drive; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Gwynne, 24 Juli Street; C.R., Mrs. Donnelly, Lawrence Road.

NELSON, 2nd Tuesday, Burrough House, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Toomer, 17B Wainui St.; Sec., Mrs. F. F. Doel, 5 Mt. Pleasant Av.; Treas., Mrs. W. Andrews, 100 Brook St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Doel; W.R. Reporter, Mrs. C. I. Kidson, 8 Whitby Rd.; Librarian, Mrs. Snodgrass, Collingwood St.; C.R., Mrs. Neal, 8 Endeavour St.; L.T.L. Supts., Mrs. Toomer and Mrs. Neal.

NEW BRIGHTON, 1st Thursday, 2.15 p.m. in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Edmond, Beresford St.; Sec., Mrs. Ellis, 79 Arncliffe St.; Treas., Mrs. Inns, 90 Marriotts Rd., North Brighton; W.R., Mrs. Holloway; C.R., Mrs. McIlroy.

NEW PLYMOUTH, last Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. W. A. Brown, Dorset Ave.; Vice-Pres., Miss G. A. Drew and Mrs. Wells; Cor. Sec., Mrs. M. Wood, 2 Cutfield Rd.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Oliver, Mt. Edgecombe St.; Treas., Mrs. Morwood, Leach St.; Sec., Seamen's Rest, Mrs. Roy Deare, Hamlyn St.

NORTH-EAST VALLEY, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Pres., Mrs. Green, Mechanic St., Dunedin, N.E.1; Sec., Miss Gibbs, 118 North Road; Treas., Mrs. Sanders, 57 Frame St.; Assist. Treas., Mrs. Johnson, 1 Bouverie St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. McLay.

OAMARU, Wesley Hall, Eden St., 2.30 p.m., 2nd Monday. Pres., Mrs. Winn, Isis St.; Vice-Pres., Miss Cowan and Mrs. Acutt; Sec., Mrs. McIlwraith, 10 Till St.; Treas., Mrs. McWhirter, 30 Rother St.; W.R., Mrs. J. J. Clarke, 62 Tyne St.; C.R., Mrs. Poole.

ONEHUNGA, 2nd Thursday, 2.0 p.m., Methodist Hall, Grey St. Pres., Mrs. Mountjoy; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Ashby and Leadley and Miss Caughley; Rec. Sec., Miss B. Hobden; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Perrett, 21 Cardwell St., Onehunga; W.R. and Home Meetings, Mrs. Ashby; Treas., Mrs. A. Fordyce; C.R., Miss Caughley; Evangelistic, Miss H. Grigg; L.T.L., Mrs. Moore; Press, Mrs. Mushett; Philanthropic, Mrs. Wadman.

OTOROHANGA, last Friday, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. G. F. Webster, Otewa Rd.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Dodson, Mrs. Higgins; Sec., Mrs. J. C. Clark, Te Kuiti Rd.; Treas., Mrs. W. J. Black, Te Kuiti Rd.; W.R., Mrs. C. Hood, Pirongia Rd.

OXFORD, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs. Comyns; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hyde, Hawke and Fenwick; Sec., Mrs. R. White, Powell's Rd.; Treas., Mrs. G. Jones; W.R., Mrs. E. Magrath; Evang., Mrs. Markham; C.R., Mrs. Early; Band of Hope, Major Fletcher and Mrs. Comyns; Notable Days, Mrs. L. Jones; Flower Mission, Mrs. S. Campbell; Press and S.S. Temperance, Miss Caverhill; Health and Nutrition, Mrs. N. Dalley.

OTAHUHU, 3rd Thursday, 2.30 p.m. in Baptist Hall. Pres., Mrs. R. Hughes, Mason Ave.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames West, Ward and Carlisle; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Beaumont, 5 Fairburn Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Ward; Flower and Philanthropic, Mrs. Mears.

OPAWA, 3rd Tuesday, Baptist Church. Pres., Miss E. M. Gainsford; Sec., Mrs. Campbell, 31 Allen St., C.1; Treas., Mrs. Atkins, 100 Chester St., C.1; W.R., Mrs. Patrick, 32 Buffon St., Waltham; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Jenkins and Ewart Smith.

OPOTIKI, 2nd Thursday, St. John's Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. R. Sinclair; Sec., Mrs. I. W. Gordon, Box 85; Treas., Mrs. J. T. Thompson; W.R., Mrs. Corney; C.R., Miss McCallum.

PAHIATUA, 1st Thursday, at 2.30 p.m. in Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. Wilson; Sec., Mrs. F. Ryan, Tyndall St.; Treas., Mrs. Griffiths, Main St.; W.R., Mrs. Pringle, Princess St.

PALMERSTON NORTH, 1st Tuesday, Baptist Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. D. H. Coles, 70 Oxford St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Sexton, 315 Broadway Av.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Claridge; Treas., Miss C. Jamieson, 70 Albert St.; C.R., Miss Connelly and Mrs. McIvor; W.R., Mrs. Carter; Hospital Visitors, Mesdames White and Webb.

PAPANUI, 3rd Wednesday, 2.15 p.m., Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Tillman; Rec. Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Hodder, 51 Mary St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Elliott, Cornhill St., St. Albans; W.R., Mrs. Anderson, Bennett St.; C.R., Mrs. Malcolm.

PAPATOETOE, 3rd Wednesday, 2.0 p.m., Methodist Hall, Kilmar Rd. Pres., Mrs. Bartlett, 132 St. George St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Rnauf; Sec., Mrs. Mollard, Allenby Rd.; Treas., Miss T. Heaven, Cornwall Rd.

PICTON, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Millen; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Potter; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. S. E. Wells, Milton Terr.; W.R., Mrs. Martien, Kent St.; Band of Hope and Y's, Mr. and Mrs. Powell.

PORT CHALMERS, 3rd Wednesday, 2.15 p.m., Sailors' Rest Room. Pres., Mrs. G. Taylor; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Watson, Wilson and Sanson; Sec., Mrs. J. B. Chalmers, 1 Magnetic St.; Treas., Mrs. Mirams; W.R., Mrs. Watson; C.R., Mrs. Farquharson.

PONSONBY, St. John's Ladies' Guild Room, 3rd Thursday, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. R. Joiner; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Read, Mrs. Olds, Sister Jessie; Sec., Mrs. I. Osborn; Treas., Mrs. Christopher; White Ribbon, Mrs. Wood; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Millar; Maori Work, Sister Jessie; Evangelistic, Mrs. Read.

PUKEKOHE meets 1st Tuesday at 2.30 p.m. in alternate Churches. President, Mrs. Curnow, Prospect Terrace; Secretary, Mrs. Davies, Harris Street; Treasurer, Mrs. Ellis, Seddon Street.

REEFTON, 2nd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. Thompson; Sec. and W.R., Mrs. Gilmour, Buller Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Hallaran, Buller Rd.; C.R., Mrs. Sara.

RAETIHI, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. W. H. Sandford; Sec., Miss G. Scarrow; Treas., Mrs. J. Seerup; W.R., Mrs. M. Bernard; C.R., Mrs. McLean.

RANGIORA, last Friday, Methodist Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Hodges, 204 King St.; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Smith, 14 Albert St.; Treas., Mrs. Stan Watkins, Southbrook; C.R., Mrs. Hunt, 50 Newnham St.; W.R. Mrs. James, Percival St.

RICHMOND (Nelson), 3rd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Baptist Church. Pres., Miss Tarrant; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Cropp; Sec., Mrs. W. A. Lightband, Salisbury Rd.; Treas., Miss E. J. Tarrant; W.R. Agent, Miss Dyson, "Althorpe."

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE, 2nd Monday, 2.30 p.m., in Women's Rest Room. Pres., Miss V. A. Jamieson; Vice-Pres., Mrs. I. Taylor; Rec. Sec., Mrs. M. Ruthven, Tay St.; Treas., Miss C. Griffiths, 235 Crinan St., Invercargill.

SYDENHAM, 1st Thursday, Baptist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. J. Filer, 30 Leitch St., S.W.1; Sec., Mrs. W. E. Drewett, 63 Roker St., S.W.1; Treas., Mrs. Seivers; W.R., Mrs. Julius, 137 Rose St., S.W.1; C.R., Mrs. Garlick.

TAURANGA, 1st Tuesday, Methodist Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. F. N. Christian; Sec., Mrs. York, 1st Ave.; Treas., Mrs. Maynder, Roberts St.; W.R., Mrs. Foxcroft, Cameron Rd.

TAKAPUNA, 1st Wednesday, in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. Morgan Richards; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Winstone and Petchell; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Prussing; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Blackwell, Campbell's Bay; Treas., Miss Prussing, 1 Campbell Rd.; W.R., Mrs. Pendray, 1 Eldon Rd.; Evang., Miss Cullen; Maori, Mrs. Petchell; C.R., Mrs. Winstone; Backblocks, Mrs. Morgan Richards; Temperance Fact, Mesdames Tremain and Wallace.

TEMUKA, last Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in S.A. Y.P. Hall, Wood St. Pres., Mrs. Wm. Hewson, Hamilton St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Flintoff, Grocott and Woolford; Sec., Mrs. J. Holliday, Winchester; Treas., Mrs. Wm. Prewer, 87 Cass St.; C.R., Mrs. Allenby; W.R., Mrs. Lovatt.

TE AWAMUTU, 3rd Thursday, Presbyterian Hall, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. W. Alexander; Sec., Mrs. V. McGee, Parawera, R.D.; Treas., Mrs. E. L. Purdie, Wyuyard St.; W.R., Mrs. W. J. Thompson; C.R., Mrs. Poolman.

TE KOPURU, 3rd Wednesday, by-monthly from February, Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. H. O. Bickers; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Wordsworth; Treas., Mrs. Hill-Taylor; W.R., Miss Taylor; L.W.R., Miss F. Wordsworth.

THAMES, 1st Wednesday, Mackay St. Schoolroom, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Paul; Sec., Mrs. Gooder, Pollen St.; Treas., Mrs. E. Scown, 185 Richmond St.; "W.R.", Mrs. Whiteside, Karaka Rd.; C.R., Mrs. Riley, Karaka Rd.

TIMARU, last Tuesday, at 2.15 p.m. in Sailors' Rest. Pres., Mrs. T. E. Holdgate; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Caye, 25 Raymond St.; C.R., Miss Arras; W.R., Mrs. Howe, Otupua Rd. Supt. Seamen, Miss Stevenson, 6 Seddon St.

TINWALD, 4th Thursday, Methodist Church, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Miller; Sec., Mrs. J. Oakley, 156 Victoria Street, Ashburton; Treas., Mrs. Harkness, McMurdo Street; W.R. and C.R., Mrs. A. C. Wakelin, McMurdo Street.

UPPER HUTT, 4th Monday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian and Methodist Churches alternately. Pres., Mrs. Watt, Beth St., Trentham; Sec., Mrs. Ross, Martin St.

WAIPAWA, 4th Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Ford; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Carson, Victoria Street; Notable Days, Miss Bibby; C.R., Mrs. Carson.

WAIMATE, 2.30 p.m., 2nd Wednesday, Knox Church Hall. Pres., Mrs. Duckett, Mary St.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Kippenburger and Stark; Sec., Mrs. C. Mills, 60 Belt St.; Treas., Mrs. Simpson, "Rylands"; Assist.-Treas., Miss P. Tooley; W.R., Mrs. Ashton, Belt St.; C.R., Miss P. Tooley.

WAIPIKURAU, 4th Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres. and Acting Sec., Mrs. Smales, Bedford Terrace.

WANGANUI CENTRAL, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Trinity Church Parlour. Pres., Mrs. Duxfield, Okoia; Vice-Pres., Mesdames R. Wilson and Goodey; Treas., Mrs. Goodey, 26 College St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Ogg; W.R., Miss Wadsworth, 51 Keith St.

WANGANUI EAST, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in St. Alban's Hall. Pres., Mrs. Day; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Robb; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jones; Treas., Mrs. Shute, No. 3 Line; W.R., Mrs. Conybeer; C.R., Mrs. Ogier; Y. Supt., Mrs. Bloor.

WARKWORTH, 2.0 p.m., 2nd Thursday, in Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. A. E. Baker; Vice-Pres., Mesdames McNaught and Neal; Sec., Mrs. H. A. Torkington, Box 17, Warkworth; Treas., Miss J. Martin; W.R., Mrs. C. R. Rowe.

WELLINGTON, 2nd Wednesday, 2.15 p.m., Headquarters. Pres., Miss Brooks; Sec., Miss Kirk; Treas., Mrs. Gardiner, 20 Fernhill Tce., Wadestown; W.R., Mrs. Duncanson, 70 Derwent St., S.2.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL, 3rd Wednesday, 2.0 p.m., "Evening Post" Building. Pres., Mrs. Sired, 29 Maida Vale Rd., E.1; Sec., Mrs. Reed, 6 Bruce Ave., Brooklyn, S.W.1; Treas., Mrs. Helyer, 338A Oriental Bay; C.R., Mrs. McGowan.

WHANGAREI, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres. and C.A., Mrs. T. P. Lane, 6 King St.; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. W. N. Hills, 10 Norfolk St.; W.R., Mrs. Goodall, 8 Dinness Ave.; C.R., Mrs. Cheesman.

WINTON, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. T. A. Thomson, Section 2, Otahuti R.D., Invercargill; Sec., Mrs. A. McIntosh, South Hillend R.D.; Treas., Mrs. R. G. McKenzie, The Manse, Browns; W.R., Mrs. McKenzie, Park St.; C.R., Mrs. Dixon, Queen St.